

DEAD, 2 INJURED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

One Child Killed, Another Hurt When Run Down by Automobiles

CAR DRIVERS ARRESTED

Two persons are dead today and two others injured as the result of traffic accidents.

The dead are: John W. Oeh, three years old, of 2488 West Hillton street, killed by a truck at Twenty-fifth and Clearfield streets.

Joseph Riscel, of Twenty-third and Jackson streets, died from injuries received when thrown from the wagon he was driving.

The injured are: Betty Grier, five years old, of 1335 Rockland street, suffered a fractured skull when run down by an automobile at Broad and Rockland streets.

Miss Bridget Carlin, thirty-three years old, employed as a domestic at the home of Edward Hopkinson, Jr., Montgomery avenue, Chestnut Hill, was struck by an automobile at Germantown avenue and Price street.

The Oeh child was racing along the street yesterday with a companion and ran in front of the truck. He was taken to the Samaritan Hospital, where physicians said death had been instantaneous. Jacob Linn, of 2040 North Seventh street, the driver of the truck, was arrested and will have a hearing today.

Riscel was thrown beneath the wheels of his wagon when the horses ran away yesterday afternoon. The accident happened on Bethlehem Pike near Pointe-aux-Lac creek. Riscel died after being taken to the Frankford Hospital.

Betty Grier was run down by a automobile driven by Howard Twining, of Ivyland, Pa. The child is in St. Luke's Hospital suffering from a fractured skull. Twining was held under \$500 bail by Magistrate Wrigley.

As she stepped around the rear of a trolley car last night, Miss Bridget Carlin was run down by the automobile of Adolph Lang, of 6100 Germantown avenue. Lang rushed the woman to the Germantown Hospital and she surrendered to the police. He will be arraigned before Magistrate Penneck today.

Losses Control of Car A large motor truck endangered the lives of pedestrians near Ninth and Sanson streets yesterday afternoon when the driver lost control of the machine. The driver, Robert McDermott, of 1921 South Twenty-first street, employed by the Adams Express Company, started the car on Sanson near Tenth street.

The big truck ran from one side of the street to the other and when half way down the block swerved up on the north side of the street and crashed into a large window in the rear of a Chestnut street establishment. McDermott was placed under arrest and charged with reckless driving.

DESIGN PUPILS GET HONORS

Closing Exercises Marked by Presentation of Diplomas

Diplomas were conferred on the graduating class and scholarships awarded this afternoon at the closing exercises of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women. Broad and Master streets.

The following graduated: Fine Arts Course—Helen E. Abrahams, Ruth M. P. Patton, Marian Manning and Ruth E. Sutherland. Normal Art Course—Caledonia Wilson. Course in Design—Florence A. F. Daffin and Margaret Snowden.

The European Fellowships, which entitles the winners to one year's study in Europe, were conferred on Margaret Snowden and Louise Spaulding. This prize is awarded by the estate of P. A. B. Widener for achievements in practical design, and will be offered by Joseph Widener, executor of the estate.

Prize fellowships which give a year's study in the school were awarded to the following: the "Redwood F. Warner," for practical design, to Florence A. F. Daffin; the "John Sartain," for general achievement and ability, to Ruth E. Sutherland; the "Mrs. Harrison S. Morris," for assiduous study and progress, to Marian Manning; the "William J. Horstmann," for earnestness of purpose, to Caledonia Wilson; the "P. S. D. W. Alumnus," for excellence of work, to Helen E. Abrahams; the "P. S. Pemberton Morris," for pictorial design, to Edythe C. Ferris.

Among other winning prizes ranging from \$10 to \$25, were Margaret Snowden, Marian E. Kleinkecht, Edith J. Cayle, Pearl J. Aiman, two prizes; Florence D. Bradway, two prizes; Ruth E. Sutherland, Frances M. Weston, Ruth P. Patton, Eliza A. Plauschinst and Caledonia Wilson.

West Point Appointments The War Department has announced the names of three Philadelphia boys who have qualified for admission to West Point. They will enter June 13. The lucky boys are: Abraham W. Levin, 1603 South street; Charles B. Weller, 2335 Thompson street; Harry L. Schetz, 1621 Dyre street.



LIEUT. COL. F. W. SMITH

CROIX FOR FRANK W. SMITH

Lieutenant Colonel Honored for His Courage and Brilliant Achievement

Lieutenant-Colonel Frank Willbur Smith, staff officer of the Eighty-ninth Division, whose home is at 1029 Dunham avenue, Logan, has been awarded the Croix de Guerre.

The citation by the French commanding general of the Thirty-second Corps is as follows: "During the preparations for the St. Mihiel attack in August, 1918, he displayed the most brilliant qualities of organization and in some particularly dangerous reconnaissances he gave proof of the highest courage. Lieutenant-Colonel Smith had formerly been recommended for the United States Distinguished Service Cross. He inaugurated the motor dispatch service of the American expeditionary forces. Before entering the service he was a postoffice inspector under Chief Cortel, in this city. He served as an intelligence and operations officer with the divisional staff.

UNION LEAGUE PAYS TRIBUTE TO SPROUL

City and State Leaders Join to Honor Governor at Reception

Paying tribute at once to the official and the man, fifteen hundred fellow-members of the Union League and a number of leaders in city and state activities greeted Governor Sproul at a testimonial reception at the organization's headquarters on South Broad street last night.

It was one of the largest and most representative receptions in the history of the club, city and state officials uniting with legislators, judges of the courts and military and naval officers in honoring the distinguished guest. The members and guests approached the Governor, who stood with former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, president of the club, in one of the reception rooms off the main hall, in two long lines. As each came to pay his respects to the man who had risen to the highest office within the gift of his native state he was presented to the Governor by Charles Roberts, chairman of the membership committee.

It was a ceremony, the impressive character of which was much enhanced by the appropriate background, furnished by a newly painted twelve-foot canvas of the State Capitol at Harrisburg.

Governor Dinner Guest

Prior to the reception, Governor Sproul was the guest of honor at an informal dinner, attended only by officers of the club, state officials and members of the club's directorate.

Former Governor John K. Tener was unable to accept an invitation to attend because business required his presence in another city.

Among the guests were:

- Judge F. Ames Judge Charles L. E. Breyer Judge Joseph P. Roe Judge H. Gilbert Judge Charles T. Ay Judge Wiley E. Crane Judge J. Willis Mar Judge Joseph F. Lam Judge James E. Gor Judge Eugene C. Bon Judge Raymond Mar Judge William H. Dick Judge Oliver B. Dick Judge Isaac Johnson Judge Louis J. Ma Congressman Peter E. Sottelle Samuel W. Salter Richard J. Baldwin George Gray William H. Winton Joseph F. McLaughlin Admiral Charles F. Hughes Sprout Judge Henry B. West Alfred E. Burk John Monahan Dr. Edgar F. Smith

HOG ISLAND OFFICIALS FIGHT POWER RATES

Charge Discrimination Against Yard by Delaware Co. Before Public Service Commission

CONTRACT ENTERS DISPUTE

Hog Island, the largest purchaser of electricity in the country, is being discriminated against in favor of the smaller consumer, government officials charged today during the hearing on the complaint against the Delaware County Electric Company, before Public Service Commissioner Samuel M. Clements, Jr.

The complaint was brought by the United States shipping board and the emergency fleet corporation, following an investigation started in January.

According to William Y. C. Anderson, counsel for the Emergency Fleet Corporation who is being assisted by United States District Attorney Francis Fisher Kane, the increased rates announced by the electric company are unjust and unreasonable.

He stated that a contract was entered into December 1, 1917, whereby the electric company was to furnish the power for five years following the completion of the plant. The contract did not become fully effective until January 1, 1919, but bills were paid under it prior to the completion of the yard.

Investigation Ordered

"The size of the bill rendered in January," Mr. Anderson declared, "led to an order from Washington to investigate the charges. It was discovered following the investigation that Hog Island is paying as much for its power as many smaller plants further south on the river, and that the rates are the same as those paid by all of the smaller consumers."

"Hog Island is the largest purchaser of electric power in the country, and consumes three times as much electricity as any other shipyard. It is our contention that the new rates are discriminatory and unjust."

Efforts to introduce the original contract as evidence were objected to by attorneys for the electric company on the ground that the contract is no longer building, and that the Public Service Commission has the power to fix the rates. Commissioner Clements sustained the objection, but permitted the contract to be introduced merely as history in the case.

Shubert Case is Deferred

Although officials of the Philadelphia Electric Company were ready to proceed today in the complaint of J. J. Shubert that the company made unjust and unreasonable sales charges for the extension and services to the Shubert Theatre in this city, Commissioner Clements postponed the hearing until June 4 because Morris Saul, attorney for the Shuberts, is tied up with a patent case in Baltimore.

The complaint of Ferdinand F. C. Melanor against Frankford, Tacony and Holmesburg Street Railway was also postponed. Engineer A. Howard Jones, of the Public Service Commission, submitted a report to the effect that the service has been greatly improved on the lines of the railway. W. W. Montgomery, Jr., representing the company, stated that negotiations are now under way with the Philadelphia Electric Company for the purchase of power to operate the lines. The hearing was indefinitely postponed until the agreement has been entered into.

MAY DIRECT CHORUS HERE

Stephen Townsend Asked to Lead Singers With Philadelphia Orchestra

Stephen Townsend, director of the chorus of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, has been asked to take charge of the chorus which it is proposed to form in combination with the Philadelphia Orchestra, according to a report here yesterday.

Mr. Townsend at Boston would neither affirm nor deny that he had received any such offer, and took the position that information on the subject should properly come from the management of the Philadelphia Orchestra. Arthur Judson, manager of the Philadelphia Orchestra Association, declined to make any comment, but said an official statement would be made later.

Mr. Townsend is well known in the musical circles of Boston. As a baritone soloist he is in great demand. He has achieved marked success as a vocal teacher and has been eminent as an organizer and trainer of choruses, both of men and women. The chorus of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, numbering about eighty mixed voices, which was assembled and drilled by Mr. Townsend, has won the highest praise whenever it has appeared with the orchestra.

17-YEAR LOCUST APPEARS AND GOES AWAY DISGUSTED

Insect, After Fighting Way Through Asphalt, Finds Times Changed for Worse and Shakes City's Dust From Mandibles

"Who played this dirty trick on us? I'd like to know?" And the first seventeen-year locust of the season to come up reared his nose on the edge of the little hole in the asphalt at Lawrence and Hewson streets and peeped out, panting and perspiring in the hot sunlight.

"Do you know what you citizens of this city of Brotherly Love did?" he cried indignantly. "In 1902 my sweet and unsuspecting and trusting mother dug a hole and laid a batch of eggs right here on this spot. There were cobblestones here then and plenty of dirt between. And my mother went away because she had business out of town, believing, of course, that the authorities of this city would take care of her private property."

"But what did the authorities do? They laid down this asphalt street with us underneath all the time. Talk about your Black Hole of Calcutta! You Americans needn't put on any airs! You ain't got nothing on the English!"

"Naturally, I didn't know much about the seriousness of the plight my brothers and sisters and I were in until I grew up to be a larva. And then it dawned on me, and I got hoppin' mad and vowed I'd chew my way out or bust."

"For seventeen years I've waited under that street. And today I edged up my maxillae and mandibles on the grindstone, and began to bore up. And here I am. I know I'm just a little premature in coming out, but I hated to think that your bum politicians were pulling something over on me. And if weather hadn't been warm enough to soften up this asphalt I guess I'd been smoozin' down there yet."

"You say there's been a war? And the women vote and McKinley ain't President any more? Well, of all—'What! And the country going dry? 'So long! I'm goin' back under the asphalt again. And you can stuff up the hole and put three coats of armor plate over the whole blame street besides the asphalt for all I care."

"You'd think we were all camels," cried the seventeen-year locust in deep disgust and disappeared down the hole again.

CITY MANDAMUS WRITS

Amounts Issued Against City More Than Sum in Loan to Provide

Mandamus writs issued by the various courts against the city now exceed the \$1,500,000 item to meet them provided in the proposed \$14,750,000 loan. The total amount outstanding today is \$1,586,708.33.

There being no fund from which the items can be paid, writs became a lien against the city and bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent. The largest of the writs now registered have been issued out of the Common Pleas, Quarter Sessions and Municipal Courts since the mandamus fund was exhausted early in February.

Included among the unpaid writs are a number providing for payment for land taken along the Parkway. In April, 1916, a total of \$8,500,000 loan funds was set aside for Parkway purposes. It has all been expended long ago.

"Ladies' Night" Will be Observed

"Ladies' night" will be observed this evening by Germantown Assembly No. 36, Artisans' Order of Mutual Protection. Dancing will follow the reception at Masonic Hall, 5425 Germantown avenue.

SOLDIER FOUND DAZED

Man in Camden Terminal Says He Was in Fictitious Bout

Jacob Shapiro, 727 Brown street, a soldier on leave from Camp Dix, was found in a dazed condition in the Pennsylvania Railroad ferry terminal at Camden today. He was taken to the Cooper Hospital, where it was difficult to obtain much information from him.

He said that he had been engaged in a boxing bout last night with Jimmy Riley, of Jack O'Brien's boxing academy, and received a blow in the stomach. At the hospital it was found that he was unable to move his legs properly.

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PHILADELPHIA MAN FORMED HOP BRIDGE

14 Destroyers Between Azores and Lisbon Maintained by Commander Wortman

To a Philadelphia clubman, Commander Ward Wortman, is due some of the success of Lieutenant Commander A. C. Read, in his flight to Lisbon, Portugal, in the NC-4.

This became known yesterday when it was announced that protective and directing measures taken by Flotilla Commander Wortman made possible the straight course of the first transoceanic flight.

Commander Wortman arranged and maintained fourteen destroyer stations in the 800 miles of sea between Ponta Delgada and Lisbon. He is a member of the Racquet Club and well known here. Commander Wortman's home in this city is at 1830 Rittenhouse square.

Except for his term of active service at sea, Commander Wortman has spent all his time here, where he has a host of friends. For a time he was attached to the League Island Navy Yard.

At the time of America's entry into the war Commander Wortman was a lieutenant commander. He was advanced and placed in charge of a new, fast destroyer just completed to combat submarines. He saw plenty of service, and acquitted himself so splendidly that the Navy Department selected him for the work of directing the "bridge of ships" that were to cooperate to make the flight of the naval seaplanes a success.

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